

## **FFWPU Europe and Middle East**

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### **New Year Prayer Announcement**

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Dear Brothers and Sisters of the EUME Region,

Fumiko and I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all Happy Holidays and a very blessed start to 2019. Thank you for all of your hard work, prayers and dedication for the sake of our Heavenly Parent and the great providence of our True Parents. Fumiko and I were able to visit 50 nations throughout our region and we'd like to add a special thank-you to all those families and churches who welcomed us into their homes and centers throughout the year.

2018 was a very good year. There is a lot to be thankful for. Most of all, our True Mother was able to safely complete her world tour, bringing her most hopeful message of the coming kingdom of Cheonilguk. Of course, we will long remember our happy and victorious time together with True Mother in Vienna back in April for the Peace Starts with Me rally, and this was just one of more than a dozen events hosting True Parents around the world. Most recently I was fortunate enough to attend True Parents during the events in New York, Zimbabwe, South Africa, Nepal and in Korea, and I could see for myself that there are great opportunities for growth and development.

Nevertheless, as we are often reminded, we cannot expect to save this world through human effort alone. Though we may fulfill our 5% responsibility, we absolutely need the 95% that can come only with the help of God and the heavenly spiritual world.

Let's make 2019 a year in which the blessings of heaven come to Europe. To that end, I want to invite all families to participate in a public midnight prayer vigil on the night of December 31st through January 1st. In our own way, let's follow the example of True Mother, who will ring in the New Year herself with more than 20,000 people in the Peace World Center in Korea.

That same evening, December 31st, we invite you to join a 21-day region-wide jeonseong condition that will culminate in the inauguration of the Cheongpyeong Branch for Heavenly Europe, in Frankfurt over the weekend of January 19th and 20th 2019. Over the coming year, all subregions and many nations throughout the EUME region will have an opportunity to directly host ancestor liberation and blessing workshops. This gives us a real shot at making our goal to liberate and bless a total of 430 generations by Foundation Day, 2020.



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